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SUBJECT: Minutes of 9 May 2006 Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) Meeting

1. The EQCC meeting was held on 9 May 2006 at Sullivan Barracks. The EQCC Agenda Packet and Attendance Roster are enclosed.
2. Mr. Yitbarek Gebreyohannes, Acting Chief, Environmental Management Division, opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.
3. Mr. Gebreyohannes presented the EQCC meeting agenda. The main topic 'Storm Water Pollution Prevention' was presented by Ms. Jessika Schoplick, contractor of the firm AMEC. The presentation focused on garrison-specific potential storm water pollution sources and the implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs). BMPs include, but are not limited to:
 - a. no deliberate release of hazardous substances to oil/water separators.
 - b. no outdoor vehicle maintenance.
 - c. dry cleaning of motor pool floors.
 - d. perform vehicle maintenance and fueling operations only on impermeable surfaces.
 - e. use only designated wash racks for vehicle washing.
4. Mr. Gebreyohannes outlined updates on the Hazardous Waste Management Board:
 - a. Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO) on-line training in English is scheduled to begin in May 2006, the German version in June 2006.
 - b. The Internal Environmental Performance Assessment System inspections are complete for Taylor Barracks. Spinelli Barracks inspections are scheduled for June, and Coleman Barracks for July 2006.
 - c. Detailed guidance on "Generator Pays" is still pending according to IMA-Euro.
5. Mr. Gebreyohannes provided the following environmental updates:

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a. A new sign will be installed soon at the sand meadow biotope located near the Commissary. The sign provides information on rare plant and animal species in this biotope.

b. Energy monitors will be assigned for each building to conduct energy audits, cut unnecessary fuel use, turn off unnecessary lights and use energy-efficient equipment.

c. A leaking oil/water separator is currently being removed, and a groundwater monitoring well is being installed at Building 218, Sullivan Barracks.

d. Cleaning personnel are responsible for properly removing and disposing of recyclables from offices. In case of non-compliance, please call Mr. Flick, 381-7002.

e. Funds were awarded for soil and groundwater studies at Coleman Barracks and Friedrichsfeld.

f. A falcon is nesting in a nesting box installed by DPW O&M personnel in the Funari Tower.

6. The following documents and items were handed out during open discussion: Policy Memo 36 'Off Post Solid Waste Disposal', ECO list, Recycling Guide, EMS Policy, HMRC Fact Sheet, Media Manager List, "Red Plan" for new spill plan & spill response cards, instructions to access on-line training, recycling supplies, off-post trash info sheet, energy monitor checklist.


7. The Environmental Management Division is initiating further investigations into comments received from the city of Mannheim concerning Coleman Barracks and Friedrichsfeld Kaserne.

8. Environmental policies, guides, contact information and other resources can be downloaded from the following EMD website:
http://home.mannheim.army.mil/sites/directorates/DPW_web/Environmental.htm

9. Mr. Gebreyohannes closed the meeting by thanking all participants for their attendance. The next EQCC meeting is scheduled for 12 September 2006, 1400-1500, in the USO Conference Room, Sullivan Barracks, Mannheim.

10. POC is DPW, Environmental Management Division, DSN 381-8675/7699, email: dl293dbsbdpwemd@cmtymail.26asg.army.mil.

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